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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

HANFORDS CREATIONS, LLC,

Plaintiff,

-against-

CHRISTOPHER CHAGARIS,

Defendant.

Case No. 07 Civ. 9675 (SCR) (LMS)

**DECLARATION OF
CHRISTOPHER CHAGARIS IN
SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
DISMISS**

CHRISTOPHER CHAGARIS hereby declares, subject to the penalties of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746:

1. I am the defendant in the above-captioned action. I make this declaration in support of my motion for an order, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b), dismissing the Complaint or, in the alternative, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and/or 1406(a), transferring this action to the Western District of North Carolina.

2. I am a resident of Iredell County, North Carolina and am duly licensed to practice law in the State of North Carolina.

3. I have never been licensed to practice law in the State of New York and have never practiced law in New York or solicited business there.

4. I have no knowledge of the plaintiff, have never heard of plaintiff prior to this action and have never provided legal services to plaintiff.

5. In or about April 2002, K.A. Holdings Ltd. of New York (“K.A. Holdings”) retained me to confirm in North Carolina State Court an arbitration award dated February 27, 2002, issued by the American Arbitration Association, in Westchester, New York (the “Arbitration Award”), and to recover damages pursuant thereto. I had no involvement in the arbitration and had not provided any legal services to K.A. Holdings prior to April 2002. A true and correct copy of the Arbitration Award, as it was given to me by K.A. Holdings, is annexed hereto as Exhibit 1.

6. True and correct copies of the written real property sales contract dated June 6, 2001 and the written escrow agreement dated October 31, 2001, both referenced in the Arbitration Award, are annexed hereto as Exhibits 2 and 3 respectively. I had no involvement in negotiating or drafting the aforementioned contracts or in the North Carolina real property transaction that is the subject of those contracts.

7. On behalf of K.A. Holdings, I filed an action in the Superior Court of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg, entitled *KA Holdings Ltd. of New York v. Hawthorne Mill, L.L.C.*, Docket No. 02-CVS-16135 (the “First NC Action”). A true and correct copy of the order dated December 12, 2002 in the First NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 4.

8. In July 2003, pursuant to K.A. Holdings’ authorization, I filed a second action in the Superior Court of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg, entitled *KA Holdings of New York, Inc. v. Overland Properties, Inc. and Hawthorne Mill, L.L.C.*, Docket No. 03-CVS-12766 (the “Second NC Action”). A true and correct copy of the Complaint in the Second NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 5.

9. A true and correct copy of the order dated March 21, 2005 in the Second NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 6.

10. A true and correct copy of the voluntary dismissal dated March 28, 2005 in the Second NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 7.

11. On or about June 6, 2006, as attorney for K.A. Holdings and pursuant to its authorization, I filed a third action in the Superior Court of North Carolina, County of Mecklenburg, entitled *KA Holdings of New York, Inc. v. Overland Properties, Inc. and Hawthorne Mill, L.L.C.*, Docket No. 06-CVS-6006 (the "Third N.C. Action"). A true and correct copy of the Complaint in the Third NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 8.

12. A true and correct copy of the order dated August 3, 2006 in the Third NC Action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 9.

13. A true and correct copy of the Complaint served on me in the above-captioned action is annexed hereto as Exhibit 10.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request that this Court grant my motion, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b), for an order dismissing the Complaint or, in the alternative, transferring it to the Western District of North Carolina.

Dated: March 18, 2008



CHRISTOPHER CHAGARIS